

Saturday, April 9, 2005

## New England Wood Carvers Board Meeting

In attendance:

Joe Olson  
Paul Ward  
Roger Melanson  
Maria LaGoy  
Lorn LaGoy  
Yvette Holladay

9:00

Joe Olson began with the meeting greeting. A discussion began and traveled around the table about the Annual meeting, this year scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> 2005. The speaker at the June meeting will be Ingrid Brown.

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Currently, Rip Stangroom is membership Secretary and Leo Lambert is Treasurer. Some discussion among board members on combining Membership Secretary and Treasurer positions. Joe Olson stated his desire that Treasurer also handle the membership list. To be discussed with Rip and Leo.

Norma Raymond, Treasurer. Discussion on Leo taking on responsibility of Treasurer.

Pete LeClair currently the 'Keeper' of the Carver of the Year trophy, which he will bring to the June meeting?

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Storage Facility: Discussion about the need for a storage facility, accessible to current NEWC board members (cost effective). Roger noted a 5 x 10 x 8 size would suffice. The storage facility will be for show items and meeting items, which are currently dispersed among several NEWC members.

\*A unanimous vote was approved to rent a storage facility to store NEWC items, for approx. \$500/yr.

Christmas tree... save/store for future use, possibly for Tree of Hope.

Maria noted that the Election for offices/positions within NEWC should be noted in future newsletters. She also noted that for the June meeting, a special computer overhead projector is needed for Ingrid Brown.

Norma Raymond: We discussed an appreciation plaque for her many years of service for being the NEWC Treasurer. Yvette agreed to take this task of making up the plaque for presentation at the June meeting.

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Roger Melansen: (A review of his literature) Roger distributed copies of the '2005 Spirit of Wood Show Completed Activities' a copy of the show brochure, entry form, and small leaflet. Maria brought up that the raffle items should be done every hour on the hour to keep the interest of the attendees. The newsletters will be sent out with an additional flyer Roger made up.

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Paul Ward: Newsletter item, in October, David Calvo will be the speaker to show what he can do. He's currently on TV, Modern Masters, Underhill..). December, Tom McLaughlin, furniture carver. Demetrious was mentioned as a possible good future speaker as well.

Meeting incentives to keep people to stay for the speaker at the end of the meeting was discussed.

Cost of printing is up to \$500.00 for printed newsletters. Paul will check pricing on a one sheet, three fold version of the newsletter. Roger suggested getting some quote bids from multiple printers for newsletter printing.

Clean up after the meetings was discussed, as it was an issue at some of the past meetings.

The suggestion was made to have Norma handle flowers sent to some members or other responsibility in replacement of Treasurer.

Discussion on changing the PO Box for NEWC pros and cons.

Questions came up on a possible committee to submit to the board the Carver of the Year.

Joe Olsen was asked to excuse himself from the meeting so an appreciation award for his services could be discussed, and the appropriateness of whom should give him that award at the June meeting. It was agreed that Norma should receive a certificate in a frame for her many years as Treasurer, and Joe Olsen to receive a Plaque in recognition of his excellent job as President. Plans are in the works for a buffet lunch to accompany the June Annual meeting.

Joe Olsen re-joined the discussion.

Dates for upcoming meetings/events need to be sent to MCC for general/Board meetings. These dates are due before June for the coming year.

A proposal for the board meetings to take place 1 or 2 weeks before the general NEWC meetings was discussed, to anticipate and prepare before the general NEWC meetings.  
Future NEWC meeting dates tentatively slated for 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Oct., Dec. 2005, April and June of 2006

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In Closing: Joe Olsen mentioned the following...

Think about the Board meeting.dates.. need to be resolved

Show committee meeting ... coming up May 7, 2005

Joe thanked us all for our efforts in making his presidency successful, noting to Paul that he couldn't have done it without us (the board members). He expressed his appreciation to what the organization has done for him, in meeting new people and making new friends. Joe's really excited for the organization and the enthusiasm of the newcomers to the organization, with Roger Melanson taking on the position of president in June.

12:04

Meeting adjourned

*These NEWC Board Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by:*

Yvette Holladay - Secretary

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